

Tres Rios Presbytery
YOUTH TASK FORCE
 Application for 2011-2012 School Year

Name _____ **Grade** _____
 (fall of 2011)

Home Address _____ **Home Phone** _____

City _____ **State** _____ **ZIP** _____

Email Address _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Email address(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____ Provide only if you wish to be copied on Email correspondence from the leaders

Church (name/city) _____ **Church Phone** _____

Name(s) of Pastor and/or Youth Leader _____

Please list two adult church members who may serve as references for you:

Name _____ **Phone** _____

Name _____ **Phone** _____

As a member of the Youth Task Force, you and your parent/guardian will be asked to sign a “Covenant of Commitment”. Please read and review the details of “YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES”, “Mission Statement” and “MEETINGS”, from the By Laws, and “the Covenant of Commitment” (pages 3 & 4). Additionally, on the Friday before the TRYC Jr./Sr. High retreat, you will need to miss a day of school to prepare for the event.

I will commit to the Covenant, and if there are date conflicts, I will communicate such, and the reason by September 15, 2011. Additionally, my parent/guardian is aware that I will need to miss the Friday before the TRYC Jr./Sr. High retreat.

 Your Initials

 Parent/Guardian Initials

Your Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Pastor/Youth Leader’s Signature _____ **Session Approval:** _____
 Clerk of Session

Briefly describe your relationship to Jesus Christ and the role of the church in your life:

Briefly describe activities in which you have participated in your church:

Briefly describe activities in which you have participated in Presbytery, Synod, or General Assembly:

Briefly describe activities in which you have participated in your school, community, etc.

Briefly state why you would like to serve on the Youth Task Force and what you hope to gain from it:

Briefly describe any particular gifts, talents, skills, abilities, personality traits, etc. with which you would contribute to the work of the Youth Task Force:

Briefly state any ideas you might have for the Youth Task Force/TRYC Retreats:

Please email this application by April 15 to:

Theresa Wright twright@tresrios.org

Or mail to: Theresa Wright
Presbytery of Tres Rios
1201 W. Wall
Midland, TX 79701

MISSION STATEMENT

We gather to be united, to be challenged, to celebrate, understand, and share the good news of the Gospel, our relationship with Christ in world-wide community with each other, and our Presbyterian heritage.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES

- A. Application for membership to the Task Force must be made by April 20th (applications can be obtained through your youth sponsor or through the Presbytery office). Applications are to be signed by the youth's sponsor or pastor and have session endorsement.
- B. Applicants will be reviewed and selected by the adult YTF members. Each applicant will be re-evaluated each year. Before final selection is completed youth and parents must sign a covenant of commitment.

Applicants must be active in their church youth group (and continue to remain active during their term on the YTF), should exhibit signs of leadership, sign a covenant of commitment, and be enrolled as a Sophomore, Junior or Senior in School (or equivalent in secondary school) before being accepted as a YTF member.

All YTF applicants must have session approval.

All YTF members must be approved by The Training and Nurturing Committee.

- C. Any absence from meetings of the Youth Task Force shall be cause for review of membership by the Committee Liaison.
- D. Vacancies will be filled from applications currently on file. Vacant positions on the task force will be filled with youth from the same cluster in which the vacancy occurred if possible.
- E. Members may serve up to 3 - one year terms. Everyone must reapply annually. Applications will be reviewed annually.
- F. Adult representatives must submit applications to the Training and Nurture Committee for election as an adult representative. Adult representatives must also reapply annually.

MEETINGS

Youth Task Force meetings should be held 2 to 3 times a year and where time and budget allows. The purpose of the meetings is to plan Prude Ranch retreats. All YTF members must travel to all meetings and retreats will the adult YTF sponsors.

Tres Rios Presbytery Youth Task Force Covenant Of Commitment

Name _____ Email _____

YES **NO**

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| _____ | _____ | 1) | As a member of the YTF, I pledge to remain active in the youth group of my home church. |
| _____ | _____ | 2) | As a member of the YTF, I will travel to camps and retreats as part of a group with an adult sponsor. I will not drive a personal vehicle to any camps or retreats. |
| _____ | _____ | 3) | As a member of the YTF, I can attend the following meetings and retreats. |
| _____ | _____ | A) | Planning Meeting,
To be held the first weekend in October
Midland/Odessa area |
| _____ | _____ | B) | Leadership Retreat
To be held the first weekend in November
Prude Ranch, Ft. Davis, TX |
| _____ | _____ | C) | TRYC Jr./SR. High Retreat,
To be held the first weekend of February
Prude Ranch, Ft. Davis, TX. |

Explanations:

Parent / Guardian

Youth

Date